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INTERNATIONAL BUREAU CHIEF ANNOUNCES STAFF CHANGES

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Washington, DC-- Don Abelson, Chief of the FCC's International Bureau, today announced changes in some of the top staffing positions at the Bureau.

Linda L. Haller, Assistant Bureau Chief, will serve on an assignment to the Commission to Assess United States National Security Space Management and Organization (Space Commission). Established by Congress and based in Washington, DC, the Space Commission will study U.S. national security interests regarding U.S. government, military and civil space missions. Haller will lead the legal and commercial components of the study providing domestic and international satellite and spectrum expertise.

Chris Murphy has been named a Legal Advisor in the Office of the Bureau Chief. Murphy will continue to specialize in satellite issues and will assume responsibilities for international spectrum planning and negotiations issues. Murphy previously served as an attorney-advisor in the Bureau's Satellite Policy Branch. Prior to joining the FCC he was in private practice.

David Krech on a detail from the Bureau's Telecommunications Division, will serve as a Legal Advisor in the Office of the Bureau Chief. He will concentrate on international telecommunications issues. Krech has held several positions within the Commission. Prior to joining the International Bureau, he served as senior attorney-advisor in the Commercial Wireless Division of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.